

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION

THE SATANIC TEMPLE, INC. and ANN
DOE,

Plaintiffs,

v.

TEXAS HEALTH AND HUMAN
SERVICES COMMISSION AND
CECILE YOUNG,

Defendants.

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Civil Action No. 4:21-cv-00387

**DEFENDANTS TEXAS HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION AND CECILE YOUNG’S
NOTICE OF APPEARANCE OF COUNSEL AND DESIGNATION OF ATTORNEY IN CHARGE**

Defendants, Texas Health and Human Services Commission and Cecile Young, (“Defendants”) hereby give notice to the Court of the appearance of Ryan G. Kercher as lead counsel in this matter. Mr. Kercher is admitted to practice in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas and is a member in good standing of the State Bar of Texas. Defendants respectfully request that Mr. Kercher be served with all future correspondence and pleadings.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on June 3, 2022 a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served via the Court's CM/ECF system to all counsel of record.

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